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More at Four Contractors:

Based on requirements published by the US Department of Education (USED), all states must implement new standards for race/ethnicity data collection and reporting for PK-12 students by school year 2010-11. Meeting these new standards will require MAFKids to adopt the required set of race and ethnicity codes. To ensure that the Office of Early Learning is able to comply within the time frame and be consistent in implementation, MAFKids 2010-11 release (targeted for July/August 2010) will reflect the new questions for children enrolled in More at Four.

The first question requires the user to identify students' ethnicity:

- Hispanic or Latino
- Not Hispanic or Latino

The second question requires the user to select one or more races of the student from the following categories:

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White

Answers to both questions will be mandatory in 2010-11 MAFKids and "do not know" will not be an option.

If you have questions regarding this upcoming change in MAFKids, please contact KC Elander, Office of Early Learning (919-981-7302) for further guidance.

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